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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Texas A&M University, Bush School of Government and Public Service 2024-present
Assistant Professor

EDUCATION

University of Michigan 2024
Ph.D. in Economics

University of Michigan 2018
M.A. in Economics

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government 2014
Master in Public Administration in International Development

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú 2011
Diploma in Applied Mathematics

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú 2007
Bachelor of Economics

RESEARCH FIELDS

International trade, Economic development, Multinational firms, Contracting frictions

WORKING PAPERS

[“Contract enforcement and international trade: a new look”](#)

[“Proximity as a Substitute of Contract Enforcement in Specialized Trade”](#) (with José Morales-Arilla)

[“Contracting frictions, geography, and multinational firms: evidence from Mexico”](#)

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Imported inputs, contracting frictions and productivity”

“Trade Specialization and the Divergence in the 19th century”

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Hausmann, R., Espinoza Bardales, L.M. and Santos, M.A. [“Shifting Gears: A Growth Diagnostic of Panama”](#). CID Working Paper No. 325. 2016

Levy, D., Hausmann, R., Santos, M.A., Espinoza Bardales, L.M. and Flores, M. [“Why is Chiapas Poor?”](#) CID Working Paper No. 300. 2016

Hausmann, R., Espinoza Bardales, L.M. and Santos, M.A. [“The Low-Productivity Trap: Chiapas Growth Diagnostics”](#). CID Working Paper No. 304. 2015

Espinoza Bardales, L.M. [“Apéndice Cuantitativo: El Perú entre 1930 y 1980”](#). In Carlos Contreras (ed.), *Compendio de Historia Económica del Perú*, Tomo 5. Lima: Central Reserve Bank of Peru (BCRP) and Peruvian Studies Institute (IEP). 2014

del Pozo, J.M. and Espinoza Bardales, L.M. [“Un análisis exploratorio de convergencia en el PIB per cápita entre departamentos en el Perú, 1979-2008”](#). In Janina León and Javier Iguíñiz (eds.), *Desigualdad Distributiva en el Perú: Dimensiones*. Lima: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. 2011

Espinoza Bardales, L.M. [“Apéndice Cuantitativo: El Perú entre 1821-1930”](#). In Carlos Contreras (ed.), *Compendio de Historia Económica del Perú*, Tomo 4. Lima: Central Reserve Bank of Peru (BCRP) and Peruvian Studies Institute (IEP). 2011

Espinoza Bardales, L.M. [“Reseña de Cárdenas, Enrique, José Antonio Ocampo and Rosemary Thorp \(compiladores\), Introducción. En: Industrialización y Estado en la América Latina la leyenda negra de la posguerra”](#). *Economía*, Vol. XXVII, No. 53-54. 2004

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, University of Michigan	2023
Rackham International Research Award (RIRA), University of Michigan	2022
Rackham One-Term Fellowship, University of Michigan	2021
Graduate Research Award, Department of Economics, University of Michigan	2021
Rackham International Research Award (RIRA), University of Michigan	2021
Aristotle Grant, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú	2011

PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS

Quant Bag seminar, Texas A&M University	2025-2026
Seminario dECON, Universidad de la República (Uruguay)	2025
International-Macro Lunch, University of Michigan	2019-2023
Summer Seminar, University of Michigan	2022-2023
Development Workshop, University of Michigan	2023

TEACHING

U = Undergraduate course; M = Master's course

Texas A&M University, Department of International Affairs, Bush School of Government and Public Service

Assistant Professor

INTA 625: International Trade Policy (3 terms; M) [\[Syllabus\]](#)

INTA 608: Global Economy (4 terms; M) [\[Syllabus\]](#)

INTA 694: Economic Restructuring in Latin America (1 term; M) [\[Syllabus\]](#)

University of Michigan, Department of Economics

Graduate Student Instructor (GSI)

ECON 101: Principles of Economics I - Microeconomics (7 terms; U)

ECON 451: Intermediate Introduction to Statistics and Econometrics I (2 terms; U)

ECON 251: Introduction to Statistics and Econometrics II (1 term; U)

ECON 442: International Finance (1 term; U)

ECON 500: Quantitative Methods (1 term; M)

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government

Course Assistant

PED 101Y: Economic Development: Theory, Evidence and Policy Design (1 term; M)

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP), Departamento de Economía (Department of Economics)

Jefe de prácticas (Teaching assistant)

ECO 220: Historia del pensamiento económico (History of Economic Thought) (5 terms; U)

ECO 215: Historia económica 1 (Economic History 1) (4 terms; U)

ECO 114: Introducción a la macroeconomía (Introduction to Macroeconomics) (3 terms; U)

ECO 255: Microeconomía 1 (Microeconomics 1) (3 terms; U)

ECO 290: Macroeconomía 1 (Macroeconomics 1) (2 terms; U)

ECO 362: Análisis macroeconómico (Macroeconomic Analysis) (1 term; U)

ECO 113: Introducción a la microeconomía (Introduction to Microeconomics) (1 term; U)

ECO 330: Econometría 2 (Econometrics 2) (1 term; U)

ECO 261: Econometría 1 (Econometrics 1) (1 term; U)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee: *Theoretical Economics*

LANGUAGES AND SOFTWARE

Languages: Spanish (native), English (proficient), French (basic)

Software: Stata, MATLAB, LaTeX